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Important Communist leaders in Guayaquil have stated that Pedro Saad, Secretary General of the Partido Comunista del Ecuador (PCE - Communist Party of Ecuador) is planning to depart for Czechoslovakia some time in April 1949. These plans, however, have not been disclosed to lower ranking Communists in Guayaquil.
Comment. The tentative departure date tends to confirm in which it was reported that Saad had decided to go to Czechoslovakia to attend a Communist instruction and re-indoctrination course. Should the planned reorganization of the PCE take place, Saad would no longer actually control his party and would have no desire to remain in Ecuador in a secondary position. The news of Saad's departure is not known in Quito as he has been out of the Quito area for over a month.)

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